

ABMC WWI and WWII Collections Research Assistants - Stories of Service and Sacrifice



Project Title	ABMC WWI and WWII Collections Research Assistants - Stories of Service and Sacrifice
Project Summary	The American Battle Monuments Commission commemorates the service, achievements, and sacrifice of U.S. armed forces. ABMC is responsible for caring for the graves and memorials of 218,000+ American war dead overseas - each with a unique story. Researchers are needed to help ABMC tell these stories.
Country	France

Project Description

Established by Congress in 1923, the American Battle Monuments Commission (ABMC) commemorates the service, achievements, and sacrifice of U.S. armed forces where they have served overseas. More than 218,000 Americans are buried or memorialized overseas. Some information is available on-line about these individuals, but it is not cohesive or easily accessible for use by ABMC.

The virtual interns will each have a list of names from which to work and will research online collections and archival sources such as the National Archives and Records Administration, newspapers, genealogy websites, military records, veterans sites, etc. to find as much information possible to document the individual stories of service and sacrifice. The final products will be a portfolio for each person, reviewed by ABMC, that will be used to enhance collections information, inform ABMC management decisions, develop exhibits, tours, social media, publications, etc. to bring the stories to the public.

Required Skills or Interests

Skill(s)

Research

Storytelling/blogging/vlogging

Writing

Additional Information

The intern may be asked to research individuals interred or commemorated at any one of the 26 ABMC cemeteries around the world. For more information about ABMC, please visit www.abmc.gov.

An interest or knowledge of WWI and/or WWII history will be helpful, as well as knowledge and/or experience conducting genealogical and historical research.

Language Requirements

None